



2011

ANNUAL REPORT



WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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January 13, 2012

Honorable John R. Dennis
Mayor, City of West Lafayette
State of Indiana

Mayor Dennis,

Attached to this letter is the Annual Report of the Police Department of the City of West Lafayette for the calendar year of 2011. This report, compiled by our Records Division, follows the guidelines established by the United States Department of Justice.

In 2011, the department received **24,816 calls for service, an increase of 3,748 (18%)** calls for service compared to 2010. The number of overall criminal arrests decreased by 2% in 2011 (1,572) compared to 2010 (1,600).

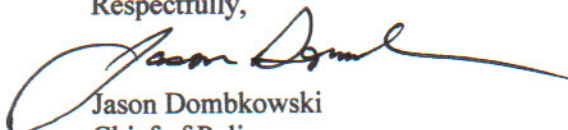
Quality of life issues and services continued to be a focus of the West Lafayette Police Department in 2011. In August of 2011, the WLPD implemented a vehicle lockout assistance service. The lockout service was well received and utilized by our community. Officers unlocked a total of 300 vehicles, an average of two per day, for our citizens in the five months the lockout service program was in place in 2011.

In 2011, the Neighborhood Resource Team continued to address quality of life issues in our neighborhoods. The NRT focused on code enforcement issues and standards, responding to 3,148 calls for service this past year, a 20% increase compared to 2010.

Over the past four years, the department has significantly increased its awareness and education efforts to better address alcohol related problems and issues. Officer presence and enforcement efforts also increased over the four-year period. Strides have been made in addressing alcohol issues through improved relationships and dialogue. Student groups, community partnerships and the WLPD are together responsible for the **37% decrease in total alcohol arrests since 2007**. Total alcohol arrests in 2011 decreased 13% compared to 2010.

Traffic enforcement remained a priority in 2011 for the department. Focused traffic enforcement efforts in school zones this past year netted **864 traffic contacts in the zones** during the 180 day school year, an average of nearly 5 traffic contacts per day in the zones. In 2011, personal injury vehicle crashes decreased by 12%, the number of persons injured in crashes decreased by 15% and alcohol related crashes decreased by 14% compared to 2010.

Respectfully,


Jason Dombkowski
Chief of Police

2011 POLICE ROSTER

Chief of Police	Jason L. Dombkowski	January 24, 1994
*Deputy Chief	Christopher J. Leroux	January 1, 1987
Capt. Special Assignment	Daniel D. Marvin	September 7, 1985
Capt. of Special Services	Michael D. Francis	December 14, 1985
Capt. Special Assignment	John T. Walker, Jr.	November 29, 1993
Lt. of Patrol	Gary L. Sparger	June 3, 1989
Lt. of Patrol	Scott M. Fohr	June 13, 1987
Lt. of Patrol	William J. Gallagher	January 3, 1995
Lt. of Detectives	Troy W. Harris	March 9, 1998
Lt. of Patrol	David A. VanVactor	August 12, 1996
Sgt. of Patrol	Matthew S. Coddington	January 1, 1985
Sgt. of Patrol	Kevin A. Flynn	January 3, 1995
Sgt. of Detectives	Cynthia A. Marion	April 20, 1991
Sgt. of Patrol	David E. Lord	October 20, 2000
Sgt. of Patrol	Jason H. Philhower	March 18, 1996
Sgt. of Patrol	John D. Watson	January 29, 2003
Sgt. of Patrol	Arthur A. Choate	November 20, 2000
Police Officer 1 st	Nancee L. Hetrick	June 5, 1981
Police Officer 1 st	Janet A. Shepherd	March 13, 1982
Police Officer 1 st	Michael R. Max	April 26, 1986
*Investigator	Jeffrey P. Ray	October 26, 1987
Police Officer 1 st	Mark A. Ridge	May 14, 1988

Police Officer 1 st	Marsha A. Miller	May 28, 1988
Police Officer 1 st	Mark A. Gosney	November 12, 1988
Police Officer 1 st	Kevin J. Coomey	January 1, 1990
Police Officer 1 st	Jeffrey J. Dunscomb	April 20, 1991
Investigator	Fredrick N. Townsend	February 13, 1995
Police Officer 1 st	Gary C. Ward	March 23, 1998
Police Officer 1 st	Jeff A. Kirby	September 14, 1998
Police Officer 1 st	William J. Dearing	October 4, 1999
Police Officer 1 st	Donald E. Hartman	January 2, 2001
Police Officer 1 st	Adam S. Ferguson	January 29, 2001
Police Officer 1 st	David S. Smith	September 4, 2001
Police Officer 1 st	Jeffrey D. Decker	January 28, 2002
Police Officer 1 st	Marcus D. Slifer	July 15, 2002
Investigator	Stason L. Wiete	September 15, 2003
Police Officer 1 st	Michael L. Brewer	June 7, 2004
Police Officer 1 st	Donald S. Greenwood	November 8, 2004
Investigator	Jonathan M. Eager	June 27, 2005
Police Officer 1 st	Chad E. Kendricks	August 22, 2005
Police Officer 1 st	James M. Spray	November 20, 2006
Investigator	Troy M. Greene	November 20, 2006
Police Officer 1 st	Daniel R. Griffin	August 28, 2007
Police Officer 1 st	Jonathan T. Morgan	September 4, 2007
Police Officer 1 st	Matthew A. Thompson	October 29, 2007

Police Officer 1 st	Adam S. Miller	January 7, 2008
Police Officer 1 st	Nathaniel E. Biddle	October 11, 2010
*Police Officer 2 nd	Jeffery M. Spicer	June 20, 2011
Head Patrol Dispatcher	Katrina L. Gutwein	August 23, 2010
*Patrol Dispatcher	Lorna A. Sietsma	October 17, 1994
Patrol Dispatcher	David R. Stoike	April 30, 2001
Patrol Dispatcher	Kimberly A. Hines	December 20, 2003
Patrol Dispatcher	Jason A. Timmons	February 21, 2004
Patrol Dispatcher	Tiffany L. Williard	May 21, 2004
Patrol Dispatcher	Mary B. Jones	November 8, 2004
Patrol Dispatcher	Erica N. Ridge	December 3, 2008
*Patrol Dispatcher	Jordan D. Glick	February 15, 2011
*Patrol Dispatcher	David H. Payne	May 10, 2011
Patrol Dispatcher	Amanda L. Brooks	November 3, 2008
Patrol Dispatcher	Robert G. Batta	October 4, 2010
Patrol Dispatcher	Katharine J. Williams	October 4, 2010
*Patrol Dispatcher	Kristin M. Johnsen	January 17, 2011
*Patrol Dispatcher	Lisa J. Gard	February 15, 2011
*Patrol Dispatcher	Jennifer Heath Thompson	October 17, 2011
Office Manager	Tamara K. Holder	May 15, 1979
Systems Manager	Vickie J. Denson	February 22, 1988
Records Clerk	Kathryn A. McCorkle	January 2, 2001
Code Enforce Supervisor	Rick L. Walker	July 31, 2009

ACO/Court Bailiff	John H. King	September 4, 2001
*Code Enforce Officer	Jeffrey P. Ray	February 22, 2011
Parking Control Officer	Edward L. Smith	May 30, 2000
Parking Control Officer	Jerry D. Burk	January 17, 2001
Parking Control Officer	Larry G. Grant	March 11, 2009
Parking Control Officer	Jesse L. Medrano	March 30, 2009
Maintenance Technician	Jeffrey D. Martin	June 16, 1997
Janitorial Services	Wilma J. Mills	March 16, 1994
Crossing Guard	Martha Mugge	April 1975
Crossing Guard	Letitia Sietsma	November 1994
Crossing Guard	Kathryn Mauch	August 1997
Crossing Guard	Kathy Jones	August 1999
Crossing Guard	Vicki Burch	February 1999
Crossing Guard	Debra Foster	January 2008
Crossing Guard	Dottie Rausch	August 2009
Crossing Guard	Kimberly Ridge	August 2010
Department Chaplin	Bill Murdock	October 2003
Department Chaplin	Will Miller	October 2003
Department Volunteer	Wayne Merriman	July 2007

Total strength of the Department as of December 31, 2011:

47 Officers
38 Civilians

Appointments:

Kristin M. Johnsen
Lisa J. Gard

January 17, 2011
February 15, 2011

Patrol Dispatcher
Patrol Dispatcher

Jordan D. Glick	February 15, 2011	Patrol Dispatcher
Jeffrey P. Ray	February 22, 2011	Code Enforce Officer
David H. Payne	May 10, 2011	Patrol Dispatcher
Jeffrey M. Spicer	June 20, 2011	Police Officer
Jennifer Heath Thompson	October 17, 2011	Patrol Dispatcher

Promotions:

Christopher J. Leroux	December 19, 2011	Captain to Deputy Chief
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Resigned:

Lorna A. Sietsma	February 13, 2011
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Retired:

Jeff Ray	January 19, 2011
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*Denotes appointments, resignations, terminations, retirements and promotions

Total Calls Processed:	2010	2011	Percentage
Calls for Service	21068	24816	18% Up

Reported Cases:

Homicide	0	0	No Change
Rape	4	4	No Change
Robbery	6	6	No Change
Battery	130	146	12% Up
Burglary	63	58	8% Down
Arson	1	0	100% Down
Auto Theft	26	20	23% Down
Larceny	382	384	1% Up

Auto Crashes:

Total	1226	1207	2% Down
Property Damage	678	671	1% Down
Personal Injury	154	135	12% Down
Fatal Crashes	0	0	No Change

Arrests:

Criminal	1600	1572	2% Down
Juvenile	68	56	18% Down

Alcohol Arrests:

Operating While Intoxicated	213	181	15% Down
Public Intoxication	311	247	21% Down
Minor In Possession of Alcohol	105	117	11% Up
Total Alcohol Arrests	629	545	13% Down

WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>COUNT</u>
Major Cases Investigated	Aggravated Assaults	44
	Arson	0
	Burglary/Business	2
	Burglary/Residence	56
	Homicide/Manslaughter	0
	Homicide/Murder	0
	Kidnapping	0
	Larceny	384
	Other Assaults	102
	Murder/Attempted	0
	Rape/Attempted	0
	Rape/By Force	4
	Robbery	6
	Vehicle Theft	20
	Total Major Cases:	618
Other Cases Reported	24 Hour Ordinance	17
	Accidents/All Reported	1207
	Accidents/Misc	7
	Accumulation of Garbage	1
	Alarms	366
	Animal Restraining	8
	Assist Other Agency	51
	City Noise Ord Violation	242
	City/County Ord & State Statute	111
	Contempt of Court	10
	Conversion/Unauthorized Control	1
	Cruelty to Animals	2
	Curfew Violation	1
	Damaged Property	39
	Death/Other than Homicide	14
	Demented/Mental	12
	Department Information	214
	Depositing Rubbish/Trash	4
	Disorderly Conduct	1
	Disturbance/Arguments/Fights	32
	Dog/Other Animals	24
	Domestic Disturbance	80
	Doors/Windows Unlocked	2
	Driving While Suspended	157
	Drug Abuse Violations	172

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>COUNT</u>
Other Cases Reported	Drunkeness/Public Intoxication	159
	False Informing/Reporting	10
	Fire/Non-arson	8
	Forgery/Counterfeiting	5
	Fraud	71
	Fugitive/WOW Other Agency	2
	Grass Height	13
	Harassment	45
	Ill/Injured Person	17
	Illegal Discharge of Firearm	1
	Indecent/Public Exposure	2
	Liquor Law Violations	24
	Misc Traffic Violation	23
	Missing/Lost Person	4
	Offense Against Family/Child	11
	Open Burning	1
	Operating While Intoxicated	166
	Parking/Private Property	62
	Property Found	83
	Property Lost	6
	Public Nuisance	1
	Reckless Driving	3
	Residential Entry	15
	Resisting Law Enforcement	27
	Runaway	12
	Sex Offenses	8
	Stalking	2
	Stolen Property/Rec/Poss	2
	Suicide/Attempts/Threats of	35
	Suspicious Incident/Persons	88
	Telephone Harassment	14
	Threats/Intimidation	29
	Tobacco Law Violation	5
	Tow-Ins	19
	Trespass	95
	Vandalism/Graffiti	17
	Vandalism/Mischief	237
	Weapon Violation	1
	Well Being Check	1
	Wheel Lock	233
	WL Ord/Snow & Ice on Sidewalk	22
	Total Other Cases:	4354
	Total Cases:	4972

	2010	2011	Percentage
UCR Property			
Property Stolen	457713	398778	13% Down
Property Recovered	148699	72141	51% Down
Detective/Narcotic Division			
Cases Worked	187	226	21% Up
Cases Cleared	155	212	37% Up
Traffic Enforcement			
Citations	1350	1173	13% Down
Warnings	9594	9500	1% Down
Total:	10944	10673	2% Down
Noise Ordinance Enforcement			
Arrests	44	42	5% Down
Warnings	208	216	4% Up
Total:	252	258	2% Up
Total Parking Tickets	21164	19187	9% Down
Total Parking Fines Collected	399728	367265	8% Down

CRIMINAL ARRESTS
2011

Armed Robbery/Firearm	3
Assisting a Criminal	3
Auto Theft	2
Battery	62
Body Attachment	6
Burglary	2
Check Deception	1
Child Exploitation	1
Child Molest	1
Conspiracy to Commit Deal/Drugs	4
Criminal Confinement	8
Criminal Conversion	11
Criminal Mischief	9
Criminal Recklessness with Vehicle	5
Cruelty to Animals	1
Dealing Cocaine	6
Dealing Controlled Substance	4
Dealing Narcotic Drugs	3
Dealing Marijuana	22
Dealing Sawed-Off Shotgun	1
Disorderly Conduct	28

Domestic Battery	10
Driving While Suspended	100
Failure to Register/Sex Offender	2
False Informing	19
Forgery	4
Fraud	5
Habitual Offender	1
Habitual Traffic Violator	11
Identity Deception	2
Interfere with Reporting a Crime	3
Intimidation	7
Invasion of Privacy	2
Leaving the Scene/Crash	46
Maintaining Common Nuisance	21
Minor In Possession/Consumption of Alcohol	111
Minor In Tavern	1
Neglect of a Dependent	3
Never Receiving a License	48
Nonsupport of Dependent Child	1
Obstruction of Justice	1
Operating While Intoxicated	181
Petition to Revoke Probation	1
Possession of Chemical Reagents	2

Possession of Child Pornography	1
Possession of Cocaine	7
Possession of Controlled Substance	36
Possession of Hashish	1
Possession of Legend Drugs	2
Possession of Marijuana	102
Possession of Paraphernalia	50
Possession of Methamphetamine	2
Public Indecency	4
Public Intoxication	247
Receiving Stolen Property	6
Reckless Driving	6
Refusal to Identify Self	1
Residential Entry	7
Resisting Law Enforcement	47
Robbery	6
Speed Contest	1
Theft	68
Trespass	22
Unlawful Entry of a Motor Vehicle	3
Unlawful Possession of Syringe	3
Violation of Interlock Device	1
Visiting Common Nuisance	1

Wanted on Warrant

183

Total

1572

JUVENILE ARRESTS
2011

Auto Theft	2
Battery	3
Child Molesting	1
Criminal Conversion	1
Disorderly Conduct	1
Domestic Battery	1
False Informing	1
Interfere with Reporting a Crime	1
Intimidation	2
Minor in Possession/Consumption of Alcohol	6
Maintain Common Nuisance	1
Never Receiving a License	4
Possession of Cocaine	1
Possession of a Controlled Substance	1
Possession of Marijuana	3
Possession of Paraphernalia	3
Possession of Methamphetamine	1
Possession of a Switchblade Knife	2
Possession of Tobacco	3
Receiving Stolen Property	1
Resisting Law Enforcement	2
Robbery	2

Runaway	5
Theft	6
Visiting a Common Nuisance/Drugs	1
Wanted on Warrant	1
Total	56



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2011 TRAFFIC DIVISION REPORT


In 2011, the Police Department investigated a total of 1,207 automobile crashes, showing a decrease of 19 or 2% over the number of crashes investigated in 2010. The total included the following categories of crashes, Personal Injury crashes down by 19 or 12%, the number of persons injured in these crashes decreased by 29 or 15% compared to 2010. Thirty-seven Alcohol related crashes were investigated, the numbers were down by 6 or 14%. No Fatal crashes were investigated.

The department participated in the Operation Pull Over Awareness Program, which is funded by the Governor's Council on Impaired and Dangerous Driving. Officers worked 621 hours of extra patrol focused on aggressive driving, intoxicated drivers, and seatbelt awareness. During these extra patrol hours, officers made 562 traffic stops that resulted in 64 arrests for motorists found to be operating under the influence of alcohol or drugs. As a department in 2011, a total of 181 arrests were made for Operating While Intoxicated, which is a decrease of 32 or 15% from 2010. One Sobriety Checkpoint was conducted during the year including Officers from other local agencies.

The department continued to make school zone safety a priority and a focus of our daytime enforcement efforts. Officers made 864 traffic stops in the school zones during the times of day the zones are active with flashing school zone lights. School zone lights notify drivers to reduce their speed to 20 MPH. West Lafayette Police Department and Purdue University Police Department worked jointly on pedestrian and bicycle safety issues. Educational and enforcement efforts included a mid-block crossings and bicycle safety campaign.

During the 2012, the department will continue to make our school zones and safe routes to school a priority. Pedestrian and bicycle safety will continue to be a focus of our department, as we continue to partner with Purdue University to improve city and campus safety. We will aggressively respond to citizen's concerns regarding traffic safety issues with focused patrols and enforcement to reduce traffic concerns in our neighborhoods.

Respectfully Submitted,


Chris Leroux
Deputy Chief

TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT DIVISION

YEAR END REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2011

CRASH COMPARISON FOR 2010 & 2011 (Year to Date Figures)

	2010	2011	UP	DOWN	%
TOTAL	1226	1207		19	2%
PD UNDER 1,000.00	239	218		21	9%
PROPERTY DAMAGE	678	671		7	1%
PERSONAL INJURY	154	135		19	12%
PERSONS INJURED	193	164		29	15%
FATALITY	0	0			0%
PERSONS KILLED	0	0			0%
ALCOHOL RELATED	43	37		6	14%

Respectfully submitted,



Chris Leroux
Deputy Chief

NOTE: A total of one hundred & eighty-three Hit & Run crashes have been included in the Total Crashes.

2011 Grant Activity

OPO Grant: 291 total hours worked

DUI Grant: 231 total hours worked

Aggressive Driving: 99 total hours worked

TOTAL HOURS WORKED: 621

OPO GRANT ACTIVITY

Seatbelt Tickets Issued: 176

Arrests: 27 (23 of these for DUI)

Total Traffic: 337

DUI GRANT ACTIVITY

Seatbelt Tickets Issued: 0

Arrests: 40 (40 of these for DUI)

Total Traffic: 56

AGGRESSIVE DRIVING ACTIVITY

Seatbelt Tickets Issued: 13

Arrests: 2 (1 of these for DUI)

Total Traffic: 169

WLPD conducted one sobriety check point during the year.

Total DUI arrests for WLPD during 2011: 181



Neighborhood Resource Team Summary

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	(% Change)
Parking Tickets Issued	20,545	19,444	-5%
Parking Ticket Revenue	\$399,727.00	\$367,265.00	-8.00%
Animal Control Complaints	272	296	9%
Animals to Shelter	98	93	-5.00%
Total Calls for Service	2,615	3,148	20%



Neighborhood Resource Team 2011

	Code Enforcement Complaints	Parking Tickets Issued	Revenue	Animal Control Complaints	Shelter
January	431	642	12,955.00	15	2
February	304	1546	16,980.00	15	4
March	175	2447	43,374.00	21	3
April	207	2485	46,580.00	25	8
May	322	1295	38,660.00	44	21
June	399	1620	23,966.00	34	16
July	217	865	18,790.00	15	5
August	336	2104	26,565.00	24	12
September	227	2145	39,855.00	33	5
October	218	1776	38,655.00	36	11
November	164	1639	33,015.00	18	4
December	148	880	27,870.00	16	2
Total	3148	19444	367,265.00	296	93